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SUBJ: CIVAIR: JAT TICKET POLICY ON CHARTER FLIGHTS

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1. JAT OFFICIALS AWARE ORIGIN OF PASSENGER AND NOT NATIONALITY DECISIVE FACTOR. THEY ACKNOWLEDGED CONFUSION THIS POINT BY LOCAL SALES OFFICE IN PAST BUT EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE IT NOW UNDERSTOOD. JAT, HOWEVER, STRONGLY EXPRESSED DETERMINATION NOT TO BE "BURNED AGAIN" FOR ANY VIOLATIONS; AND QUESTIONED WHETHER AMCITS ARE BONA FIDE MEMBERS OF CHARTERING GROUP. JAT MAINTAINS AMCITS NOT ELIGIBLE BELONG TO MANY, PERHAPS MOST, CHARTERING GROUPS OF FLIGHTS ORIGINATING IN YUGOSLAVIA; AND IN FACT SELDOM DO EVEN IF ELIGIBLE. THEREFORE IF APPLICANT IS NOT MEMBER OF CHARTERING GROUP, JAT DOES NOT INTEND TICKET HIM UNLESS "PRIOR APPROVAL" FROM APPROPRIATE CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES IS OBTAINED. NATURALLY IS AMCIT IS A MEMBER OF CHARTERING GROUP, HE WILL BE TICKETED.

2. POINT ON "PRIOR APPROVAL" NOT UNDERSTOOD BY EMB OFFICER AND IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS JAT OFFICIAL NOT CLEAR WHETHER SUCH APPROVAL LEGALLY OR PRACTICALLY POSSIBLE. ACCORDING JAT IT IS NONE-THELESS NECESSARY CONDITION TICKETING APPLICANTS WHO NOT MEMBERS

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CHARTERING GROUP.

3. COMMENT: JAT OBVIOUSLY VERY CAUTIOUS AS RESULT RECENT ENFORCEMENT SETTLEMENT AND ANXIOUS APPEAR TO BE PLAYING STRICTLY BY THE RULES. THERE IS ELEMENT OF DISCRIMINATION IN TREATMENT OF AMCIT TICKET APPLICATIONS IN THAT MOST YUGOSLAVS PROBABLY NOT REQUIRED DOCUMENT MEMBERSHIP IN CHARTERING GROUP EXCEPT IN CURSORY MANNER. HOWEVER, KEY FOR AMCITS IS MEMBERSHIP IN CHARTERING GROUP, NOT NATIONALITY, AND EMB WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S GUIDANCE THIS POINT AS WELL AS WHETHER JAT'S COMMENT ON "PRIOR APPROVAL" MORE THAN AN IMPOSSIBLE CONDITION. JOHNSON

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